



One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 59

Chairperson: Abbie Cornett
Committee: Revenue
Date of Hearing: February 27, 2009

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 59 is intended to provide funds to local and state law enforcement to address violent crime.

The bill increases the excise tax on alcohol and spirits, beer and wine to fund grants under the Citizen Safety Grant Fund, which the bill creates. The fund would be administered by the Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. The commission would develop and review grant applications. City police departments, county sheriffs, and the State Patrol would be eligible to apply for and receive grants.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator LeRoy J. Louden